

**REMARKS**

Claims 8-9, 10 in part, 16-17, 18-19 in part and 20-22 are under examination.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 8-10, 16-18 and 20-24 were found to be in condition for allowance. Claim 19 was objected to on the basis that the claim encompasses non-elected subject matter and contains non-elected embodiments. Applicants respectfully submit that this objection has been obviated by the amendment above to claim 19.

Claim 19 also was rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 7 of U.S. Patent 6,277,599 in view of Chaudhary et al., *Nature* 339:394 (1989). Applicants submit that this rejection is obviated by the terminal disclaimer submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims of this application now are in condition for allowance.

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